

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Baltimore District

## **Public Notice**

In Reply to CENAB-OP-RPA Special Public Notice 07-35 Date: May 4, 2007

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: The U. S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection will conduct a Pennsylvania Public Information Workshop in the Rachel Carson Building, Second Floor Auditorium, 400 Market Street (at the corner of Market and Fourth Streets), Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, on Wednesday, May 30, 2007 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Attendee Sign-In will take place from 8:15 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. No food or drink is allowed in the auditorium. Topics to be discussed include:

- 1. The Pennsylvania State Programmatic General Permit-3 was implemented in July 2006. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) will review changes made to the PASPGP (PASPGP-2 vs. PASPGP-3) and clarify some differences regarding the need for a permit, i.e., Chapter 105.12 Waiver of Permit Requirements.
- 2. Beginning July 1, 2007, the Corps and PADEP will begin a process that will foster "no more than minimal" impacts to the aquatic environment, including secondary impacts, while moving through the permit review process in an expeditious manner. Pre-application meetings are an important component to this process. The Corps will review the importance of this process and give examples of the successful projects that have resulted from pre-application meetings.
- 3. Nationwide Permits have been re-issued. The Corps will give a brief update on the status of the NWPs. In addition, the Corps will discuss what information is needed when a JD request is submitted and give an update on the status of jurisdictional determinations.
- 4. The PADEP is currently re-writing their Chapter 105 Regulations. The PADEP will give an update on progress of this initiative. The PADEP anticipates the implementation of an electronic permit application and will provide an update on this initiative.

To make your reservation for the workshop, please fill out the attached registration form and return it to Tarrie Ostrofsky, USACE, Baltimore District, CENAB-OP-RPA, P.O. Box 1715, Baltimore, Maryland 21203-1715, or e-mail to tarrie.l.ostrofsky@usace.army.mil, or fax to her attention at (410) 962-6024, or click on http://www.nab.usace.army.mil/WKSH07. Due to limited seating, we are requesting that each company or agency plan to send only one representative. Additional representatives will be placed on a waiting list.

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